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Rev. 22:1

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Luke 24:49

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"...Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of bell shall not prevail a wist it." Matt.





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Change of Address of Ministers and Workers

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I have resigned as pastor at York, Pa., and am in evangelistic work. Anyone desiring me for a meeting may contact me at Box 1263, Lancaster, Pa. Reference, State Overseer, J. Stewart Brinsfield, Edgewood Grove, Somerset, Pa.—Rev. S. R. McConnsey.

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Holdman, pastor.
South St. Joseph Shut-in program, over
KVAK, each Wednesday from 3:45-4:00 p. m.
Mrs. L. E. Holdman.

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PRAY FOR-

My son's health.—Mrs. Mary Digsby, Shannon, Ga.

My brother who has a cancer on his eye and is a sinner; God to undertake for my children.-Sister Eva Smith, Toledo, Ohio.

My brother, Pfc. Eulis Ledford, who is in Japan and is not well.-Biffle Ledford, East Wenotchee, Wash.

The Lord to heal and strengthen my body, I have a crippled knee and a terrible pain in my limb at times .-Sister Florence E. Sturm, Rt. 2, Box 36, Statesboro, Ga.

My sixteen-year-old boy to be healed.-Sister J. H. Wells, Rt. 1, Callahan, Fla.

My mother who has high blood pressure; my unsaved husband.-Mrs. Doyle Taylor, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Me to be healed of arthritis; my unsaved children.-Mrs. Nora Jackson, 1520 Caswell Pl., West Durham, N. C.

My son, Cpl. Archie Mabry, and many other boys to be healed of some kind of rash they have caught since they have been in Berlin.-Mrs. B. M. Mabry, Rt. 3, Baldwyn, Miss.

God to undertake and deliver my husband.-Ethel Joy, Gen. Del., Oakland, Calif.

God to undertake for my husband, he truly needs the Lord; also that He will undertake for my home and me, I am almost at a breaking point.-Mrs. W. Boyer, Potosi, Mo.

The Lord to completely heal me, I have something like high blood pressure, but I have trusted Him since 1909 and I know He is still able .-Sister Susie J. Turner, Parrish, Fla.

The Lord to heal me of a very badly ulcerated stomach, I am putting my trust in Him .- James Winfree, 227 W. Spring St., Lebanon, Tenn.

The complete healing of my body. my back is worse again; God to undertake for Sister Davis and family, comfort her and help her out of trouble. -M. A. Tate, East Beckley, W. Va.

The healing of my limb, I have an ulcer and it is worse, it has been on my limb over a year. Encouragement appreciated .- Mrs. T. G. Reece, Rt. 1, Franklin, N. C.

The healing of Edwin Carr who has had a stroke, he is only eighteen years of age.-Zona Blevins.

The healing of my body, my health is just about gone.-Mrs. J. P. Norwood, Rt. 1, co Dutch Cook, Marks, Miss.

God to undertake for a very urgent request; the healing and saving of my crippled husband, the healing of my body.-Ethel McCullough, Box 424, Plant City, Fla.

The healing of my body, I do not know the trouble but God knows and He is able to heal me; my husband.-Mrs. Geneva Eller, Titus, Ga.

The healing of Mrs. L. P. Burton, 44 Honea Path St., Ware Shoals, S. C., she has a bad heart and high blood pressure, and the doctor said she was going blind.-Rev. Harry W. Henderson, 705 Hampton Ave., Greenville,

The healing of my wife's body, her condition is serious. She is trusting the Lord.—R. M. Osteen, Madison, Fla.

God to undertake for a very urgent unspoken request, my husband and I are in desperate need of prayer .- A friend, Pennsylvania.

The Lord to completely heal my body, I had an operation for goitre last spring and my throat has been giving me trouble ever since.-Mrs. A. B. Pou, Rt. 1, Box 173, Wagoner, S. C.

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Can Religious Liberty Survive?

The atomic bomb that struck Japan on the morning of August 6 of this year destroyed not only the city of Hiroshima, but also the comfortable delusions of many Americans who thought that nothing could ever occur in the foreseeable future to threaten the heritage of their religious and other freedoms. Every thinking person must now realize that for many years to come, society will have to face new adjustments to technological, political, and religious problems.

What must be faced as a stern reality is the danger that dictatorship, once established and controlling the new force of atomic energy, can never be dislodged by any effort of the people within the same country. It took the mobilized wealth, productive resources, and manpower of America, together with those of more than forty other nations, to defeat Hitler and his Axis partners from the outside, even though these had no weapons of atomic power in their control. It can easily be seen, therefore, that the political and religious patterns established within the next few years will determine the entire development of mankind's remaining sojourn on this earth.

The history of the world up to the present time has been made chiefly by those in control of religion. We have come to know that if religion is free, then government will be free; that if religion is in authoritarian hands, then tyranny follows in other fields. Thus, if religious freedom in America is weakened in any appreciable way, it will be easy for an authoritarian religious power like the Roman Catholic church, backed by atomic energy, to destroy the entire structure of freedom and establish religious tyranny forever after.

This very aim is described graphically, for instance, in the latest Catholic propaganda book entitled John Smith, Emperor. It is a novelized account of how the whole world is finally made Roman Catholic by means of a secret weapon that uses electronic "physiological waves" to paralyze those who refuse to conform. The inventor and a devout Roman Catholic, John Smith, hands over his secret weapon to the Pope and is crowned by the Pope in New York as Emperor of the World. Following is from page 156: "After several subsequent audiences

(with the Pope), it was determined that the Physiological Waves would not pass on to successive emperors, but would be entrusted to the custody of the Pope and his successors. The necessary equipment would be concealed within the Vatican. Complete instructions with illustrations regarding its operation would be locked away and the key handed after the death of each Pope to his legitimate successors."

Thus the position of all forms of liberty has now become crucial. The difficulty has become immeasurably greater of defending freedom and at the same time of providing sufficient power to destroy its enemies.

The progress of science and our increasing knowledge of nature cannot solve this problem for us. These, in fact, have actually made it more difficult. What is needed is a revival of the spiritual zeal of the Protestant reformers of the sixteenth century, together with the re-establishment of

their rock-ribbed faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. General Douglas MacArthur, in his historic speech accepting the Japanese surrender on the *U. S. S. Missouri* in Tokyo Bay on September 2, warned as follows:

"Military alliance, balances of power, League of Nations, all in turn failed . . . We have had our last chance. If we do not now devise some greater and more equitable system, Armageddon will be at our door. The problem basically is theological, and involves a spiritual recrudescence and improvement of human character that will synchronize with our almost matchless advance in science, art, literature, and all material and cultural developments of the past two thousand years. It must be of the spirit if we are to save the flesh."

Such a spiritual revival is the only means by which men can save our civilization and safeguard the priceless heritage of religious and other freedoms that have been won and passed on to us through bitter suffering by those who have gone before us.—The Converted Catholic Magazine.

A Good Shepherd

ANDY MAST

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep." Those that climb up some other way are wolves.

Paul said, Acts 20:29, "For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock."

Jesus tells us who is the Good Shepherd, and Paul tells us that wolves will come in. Paul is warning the disciples and embraced them. Paul was getting ready to leave them; he was going to Greece. In verse 28 Paul tells them, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." So, this warning is to the Church of God today, that we all take heed. If we let down on the doctrines of Christ, we surely cannot keep wolves out; but you will know their

voice. John 10:5, "And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers."

The wolves don't preach straight, but hint about sin. It takes straight preaching to keep you from falling and to feed your soul. St. John 21:16, "He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep."

This is the way you may know who loves the Lord. A good shepherd will carry out the teachings of the Church, but a wolf doth not care for the Church, 2 Peter 2:10, but chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise government, presumptous are they, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

A good shepherd loves the teachings of the church and government. If we didn't have government in the church it would be spiritually dead. A good shepherd is the one who has been born again through the blood of Jesus Christ and cares for the sheep.

RELIGION AND THE WORLD

BY THE EDITOR

Fox-Hole Religion

May or may not hold out. If there has been a reformation of the heart, an actual conversion to Christ, there is every likelihood that it will. Men who are converted circumstantially by calling upon God in time of crisis, have sometime previously heard of the Word of faith, which bears its fruit in the hour of crisis. The result may be as fruitful as if the conversion took place at an altar of prayer surrounded by the prayers of the faithful. In either instance God is the object of the individual's needs and cries, and faith provides the anchor for his actual spiritual and physical need. The war produced its heroes of faith the same as any other circumstance when and where God is sought.

> —O— The New Birth

Negatively, the new birth is not signing a card, or a pledge, shaking hands with the preacher, or even joining a church, though it may embody all these. Positively, the new birth is an induction of divine life into the heart or soul of the creature, which brings the individual into relationship and communion with God. Since God is a Spirit, and the kingdom of heaven a spiritual manifestation of relationships, the new birth becomes at once an apparent necessity. Christ was right when He said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," John 3:3. -0

General MacArthur Said

"Today the guns are silent. A great tragedy is ended. A great victory has been won." These words of General MacArthur's were flashed round the world.

"As I look back on the long, tortuous trail from those grim days of Bataan and Corregidor," he continued, "when an entire world lived in fear, when democracy was on the defensive everywhere, when modern civilization trembled in the balance, I thank a merciful God that He has given us the faith, the courage, and the power from which to mould victory."

Possibly thinking of the atomic bomb that hastened Japan's decision to surrender, General MacArthur declared that the war had become so utterly destructive that unless an equitable system of peace was devised "Armageddon will be at our door."

—O— Elections in France

Recent elections in France gave the various radical groups 425 seats out of 586; of these 152 were Communists: Socialists, 142; Mouvement Republican Populaire, 141. All these are radical groups. These things mean but one thing and that is that there is more trouble ahead. The reign of the beast will be one of terror, and all this radical trend in Europe, America, and the Far East is the dramatic display and rumblings of prancing armies of antichrist. Antichristian teachings and radicalism are fast paving the way for antichrist kingdom. The day of Christ's coming also hasteth greatly. We will escape the terror of antichrist by the rapture. Praise God!

—O— Peace Failure at San Francisco

It is evident that the Dumbarton talks followed by the San Francisco peace conference and charter was only wistful thinking without any means of putting such schemes into effect. The Peace Charter is already outdated and discredited as a failure. The reason is the selfishness of Russia and other nations. Already there is talk of creation of a World Federal Government. with "limited but definite authority to prevent war and preserve peace." Fifty prominent Americans have proposed such an arrangement, who believe the United Nations Charter is already outmoded. This World Government is antichrist's "proving ground." The dragon has inspired antichristian political schemes which will give antichrist his "power and his seat, and great authority," Rev. 13:2.

O Palestine

Time reported last week that the Palestine question was boiling again. The Jews, now in desperation, needed new assurances; therefore, they have made demands that they be allowed to re-enter Palestine and that the doors of immigration in the Holy Land be immediately thrown ajar. To this situation the Arabs are responding by protests and threatenings to Great

Britain. That Britain and other allied nations are now embarrassed by the starving Jews in allied occupation countries, is certain. The fact is that unless the Allies and Britain arrange satisfaction for the Jews, since allied nations are the conquerors, there is more than likely to develop within the rank of the Jews the idea that the allied nations are not the saviors they had promised to be. If Nazism destroyed the Jews, can the Allies afford to let them starve without resettlement again, without condoning the outrages of Nazism? The Jews have made their mistakes, but the whole world is indebted to the Jew for his contributions to religion and science.

O Service Men Enter Ministry

The General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains reported that there have been 3,789 young Service men who have expressed a desire to enter the ministry. These come from 108 denominations. Here is an anchor of faith that has held these men through the rigors and dangers of war, and brought them out still sound in the Christian faith.

—O— Abandoning Christianity

Dr. A. Grenfell Price, of Adelaide University, has charged that certain Australian universities are "abandoning Christianity." A controversy has resulted in religious and educational circles throughout Australia, where it is charged that the universities are becoming "more or less technological colleges."

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What Is Life?

EVELYN L. FOREMAN

James 4:14, "Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." What did it say that life is? Even a vapor. A vapor is a moisture in the air that appears only a little while and suddenly disappears. As a vapor, so is life on this earth. We are here today, but have no hope of tomorrow. As we notice the definitions given by different people we find various meanings of "life." One poet said that to him "life" is an empty dream. Another writer says, "Life is just what we make it." Indeed, let us keep this in mind as we take a deeper look into the true meaning.

From whence cometh life? We understand today as we look about us. that life is any being that breathes. But all life is not alike. There are the plants; the domestic animals; and man, the human being that has been given the ability to reason and think. This life was created after the others and was given a soul. God breathed His own breath into this creation in order that it might be directly in His image. But after Adam and Eve, the first of the human race, disobeyed God and were driven from the garden of Eden, it was appointed unto man to die and the bodies return to the earth. Then what is life? Just a vapor that appeareth a little while and then vanishes away, the body returning to dust from where it came.

We are living today but we know not what tomorrow may bring. Tomorrow may be the day for our earth life to vanish, who knows? This life is uncertain, but death is definite. Today the world is lingering in sin, wasting their lives in worldly so-called pleasures, never thinking of what this life shall determine in the life after their earthly death. Today the world is miserable, trying to enjoy themselves and forget their troubles. Poor things! If they could only realize the real trouble, pain and heartaches they are bringing upon themselves, surely they would turn from sin. Time is slipping fast. It is a thing that waits for no one. It is "precious, indeed," if you redeem it to God's will and cause, but if you waste it in the

world's excitements then you must reap your just reward in the eternal future's lake of fire.

What about it, sinner friend? How do you treasure life? How great? Does it seem a little thing to waste it? Sure, you think you are treasuring it by enjoying sinful pleasures but you are really only wasting the breath that God gave you. You are grieving the precious person who died to give you an eternal life. Should the icy hands of death slip in today and cause you to vanish from this world, where would your soul go? When the time comes that those earthly pleasures can no longer be enjoyed; when your dearest friends of this life cannot help you but you realize your life is fading fast and tomorrow means good-bye, where will you be? As you lie in a dying position on your deathbed, and you have no time to think of God, how shall it be with your soul? Today if it were possible for us to hear the millions of testimonies from the ones

who wasted this life, and death slipped up on them before they could prepare to meet their Creator, I am sure fewer people would spend their lives in folly and sin.

Who knows but that you may be the next one to slip from this life? I may be the next one. Then comes the harvest. We shall surely be the reaper of the life we spend upon earth. You may live an ungodly life upon this earth, but God has warned you to fear Him and that this life is only a vapor. So if you disobey "be not deceived." You are not mocking God, but this thing you are sowing you shall surely reap. Surely it would be wise to look up today and live true to God for this earthly life determines the eternal future of tomorow. Tomorrow may mean good-bye from this life, but what a consolation to be able to sing these words as you slip from this old sinful world. "I'll live on, through eternity I'll live on." Then is when we will be able to answer the question, "What is life?" if we are ready for the eternal one that Jesus Christ purchased with His own blood. Oh, may God awake this world to the true meaning of preparing during this short life for the eternal judgment.

The Keys of the Kingdom

Author Unknown

Did Jesus give Peter the keys to heaven and to hell, to bind and to loose as he or as he and his fellow disciples saw fit? Yes and no. When Jesus made this great bequest, He was imparting to His disciples some idea of an institution which should perpetuate His kingdom after His ascension into heaven. And to Peter, who was the spokesman of the twelve, and to his co-workers, Jesus committed the great responsibility of running His kingdom till His coming back. The Holy Ghost was to indwell, comfort, and assist each one.

A close study of the New Testament stuns one for lack of further identity of those keys that Jesus gave to Peter. Some, without reservation, feel that the keys are symbolic of the authority, the government functioning orderly from the general overseer, mentioned in Acts, down to the laity. Others say that those keys were metaphoric or figurative of certain delegated powers, special favors, most devout saints could ask of God; and exercising those

prerogatives, could perform miracles, be granted special anointings of the Holy Ghost to break down the forces of evil and dynamically draw sinners to God through a vivid sin-consciousness. Further, through prayer, the sick are healed and backsliders reclaimed. Other inferences might as easily be drawn. The Catholics consider the utterance of Jesus to Peter a pontifical commission; therewith to institute a line of papal sovereignties through which all the kingdom's business should be transacted. At any rate, there is ground for doctrinal discussion. Respectful to all diversity of opinion, I seem occasionally to come into contact with those keys. Intangible? While I have never had my hands on them, I can describe very minutely their profiles, their magnificent beauty, and preponderant mag-

Strangely enough all of God's cheerful children seem to have a set of these keys. Just how many; well, that (Continued on page 13)

CRUCIFIXION

The Reason Why

Text: Matt. 27:46, "And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, li, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

Christ was nailed to the cross about nine o'clock in the morning, which is the third hour of the day. At the sixth hour, which was about twelve o'clock, and ordinarily the brightest hour of the day, darkness covered the earth, and at the ninth hour, which was three o'clock in the afternoon, the Lord uttered the words of our text, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" He had been on the cross six hours, and immediately after this utterance He committed His spirit to God and cried, "It is finished," then bowed His head and died.

The key word of the text is WHY. He felt so lonely and depressed in His despairing moments of life that He cried with a loud voice, "My God, my God, WHY hast thou forsaken me?"

The purpose of this message is to answer the question "Why?" WHY? OH WHY should the Son of God suffer in this manner, knowing the Father has all power, and knowing also that He Himself could have come down from the cross? He had done many greater miracles than releasing Himself from the cross. Therefore, WHY should the Lord from heaven dwell in human flesh and suffer the intensified pain of the cross? There was a justified reason why, which reason should be so real to every Christian that we could teach others the realities and meaning of His sufferings for us. It is not an easy thing for the average individual to understand the reason why our Lord should have suffered. and why God would forsake Him in the darkest and most trying hour of His life. Even Christ Himself inquired of His Father a reason WHY He had forsaken Him.

It was easy for Christ to understand the reason why the world at one time forsook Him and He had no place to lay His head, and why Judas, His trusted friend, forsook and betrayed Him into the hands of His enemies. But on the cross He asked, "My God, my God, WHY hast thou forsaken me?" Why did God allow that crowd of heartless blood-thirsty men to so cruelly mistreat and crucify the best man that ever walked upon the face of the earth? The answer is, "Every sinner is a single reason WHY."

Christ did not question "why" that crowd had forsaken Him, who, about one week before, went out from Jerusalem and met Him as He rode into the city, shouting His praises, crying, "Hosanna to our King that cometh in the name of the Lord," and scattering the palm branches in His way, even stripping their coats from their backs and spreading them in the way, that the beast on which He rode might walk over them, but at this dark hour had forsaken Him. This He understood, and did not question. But, "My God, my God, why hast THOU forsaken me?"

He could understand why Nicodemus, who came to Him by night, and Joseph of Arimathea, also His disciples, were not present at His trial. They were both members of the supreme court of the Jews, that condemned Him, and were afraid and forsook Him. But, "My God, my God, why hast THOU forsaken me?" as much as to say, "I understand why Nicodemus and Joseph left me, but why has God hid His face from me?" Where were the seventy preachers He had commissioned a few months before to preach the gospel of the kingdom, empowering them to heal the sick, cast out devils, cleanse the lepers. unstop deaf ears, open blinded eyes, and raise the dead? They had forsaken Him; they were afraid, and went into seclusion. This was all easily understood, but, "My God, my God, why hast THOU forsaken me?"

The twelve apostles whom He had called and chosen, who had spent three years at His feet listening to His wonderful words of life, and to whom He had said just a few hours ago, as they sat around the table of the holy supper, "I have called you my friends, for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you"; these men declared they would never forsake Him, pledging their lives for Him, but in this dark hour they were gone; they had

John C. Jernigan, General Overseer

forsaken Him. They were just men, and we know why they forsook Him. He knew why; all Bible readers know why. And we want all the world to know why God forsook His Son, left Him to suffer, bleed, and die the death of sacrifice upon the cruel tree—every unconverted soul is a single reason why.

Jesus understood why the women who followed Him from Galilee ministering unto Him, stood in the far distance weeping; why His own mother stood at a distance from the cross, and why no one gave Him a drink of cold water to quench the burning thirst which was almost unbearable to a victim upon the cross. But He cried with a loud voice, "My God, my God, why hast THOU forsaken me?"

One way of answering the question "why" is the fact that God so loved the world, that He gave His Son, that the world might not perish, but have eternal life. It was love that moved God to make this supreme sacrifice, love for a world of lost men. He gave His Son to atone for their sins. The sacrifices under the old covenant could never take away sin, and God found no pleasure in them; therefore, for the perfecting of our salvation, He gave His Son as a sacrifice once and for all times, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

It was hard for God to turn His face from His Son while He suffered on the cross, but He stuck to His contract and did not interfere with the sacrifice which was destined to complete and perfect our redemption. Every sinner who walks upon the earth, and every sin committed, is a reason why God withheld His hand while His Son atoned for the sins of a rebellious world. When you are cursing and blaspheming the name of God and His Son, remember, my friend, that it was for men like YOU Christ was forsaken on the cross. And in the action of other sins, let me appeal to your memory, that it was for YOU Christ submitted to the death of the cross.

Let each individual reader ask himself this question, "Have I forsaken Him?"

B.T.S. Speaks . . .

Dear Evangel Reader:

You have not heard from us before this term, not because we do not exist, nor because we are not active. Just the opposite is true! We are all so very busy, we have neglected to tell you about ourselves and what we are doing.

Our school opened this fall with an enrollment of 543 students, six new teachers and a new President. We are truly proud of our new President, Brother E. L. Simmons. All of the students and faculty love him. He is working tirelessly to make OUR school a better school and one of which we can all be proud. God bless Brother Simmons in his work here.

Then, too, we are proud of our new faculty. They are all "one of us" and show a spirit of cooperation and a willingness to work. They are Miss Beatrice Coley, of McVeigh, Kentucky; Miss Virginia Green, of Dalton, Georgia; Brother Louis Cross, of Cleveland, Tennessee; Miss Opal Belcher, of Columbus, Ohio; Miss Ruth Fanning, of Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. Don Moore, of Lancaster, Ohio.

We are equally proud of the faculty who have been with us before. They, too, by their zeal, show they love B.T.S. and are working that she may grow, and God's work may reach farther and farther—"to the very corners of the earth."

And now we come to the studentsthe most important part of the school -fine young men and women who, realizing the necessity of preparation and education, have come to B.T.S. where they may receive not an ordinary education, but a Christian education. We really appreciate the students here and we are anxious to build our school that it may offer all the advantages of an ordinary public school, plus the most valuable thing in life-a closer walk with God. Can anything be finer? Education linked with a desire to use it for God's glory? We beg you, dear reader, to support us in this-our highest aim-in your prayers and in any way you can.

Each week there are many activities at B.T.S. that would interest you and we will try to give you these bits of news in the Evangel as the weeks go by.

Our spiritual life goes forward daily. Since the beginning of school thirteen have been saved and ten have received the Holy Ghost. We were indeed grateful to have the privilege of hearing Brother W. W. Simpson, Missionary to China.

We are very fortunate this year also in that our program committee is supplying us with excellent speakers for Sunday evening services. These include: Rev. R. P. Johnson, Rev. F. W. Lemons, Rev. J. C. Jernigan, and Rev. Harry Kutz.

I will close this part of our page now and let you read an account of one of the first organizations in the school this fall, "The Student Council."

> Very sincerely, A member of B.T.S.

The administration of the Bible Training School and College recommended the organization of a Boys' Student Council and a Girls' Student Council. Each council was to consist of nine members, one of which was to be elected from each of the four high school classes, one from each of the two college classes, one from the Freshmen Christian Workers' Class, and two from the Senior Christian Workers' Class. The respective classes met and elected a boy and a girl to represent them on the student councils. The administrative interests of the school are represented on each council by a faculty member chosen by the faculty. The councils meet regularly every two weeks in joint session. The student body elected a student president and vice-president from the senior representatives. When the student councils wish to submit

measures to the student body for ratification, the student president moderates the assembly. The student councils are non-judicial, but do have the right to represent the students in all matters pertaining to their common welfare and in problems pertinent to the best interests of the institution.

The judicial body of the school is the Supreme Council. Its functions are to counsel in judicial matters and to transact any business which the president desires to be brought before it. The members of the Supreme Council are the president of the school, two members from each student council, and the two faculty representatives.

The students appreciate this new step forward in self-government and feel that it will go far toward the betterment of their beloved Alma Mater.

Girls who were chosen for the girls' student council are: Ruth Carmine, Lora Nell Harris, Bernice Stout, of the Christian Workers' Department; Virginia Green and Dorothy Hillman, of the Junior College; Louise Knight, Dolly Pinner, Iola Wright, Charlotte Hewitt, of the High School. Faculty representative, Mary E. Harrison.

Boys who were chosen for the Boys' Student Council are: Robert Boyles, B. E. Smith, Joseph Daniels, of Christian Workers' Department; Jarvis Hill and Tom Shoemaker, of the Junior College; Norman Smiddy, Benny Triplett, Vernon Klaudt, and James Fish, of the High School. Faculty representative, D. C. Barnes.

The Supreme Council: E. L. Simmons, Mary E. Harrison, D. C. Barnes, Jarvis Hill, Dorothy Hillman, Ruth Carmine, and B. E. Smith.—Robert Humbertson.

Arizona State Ministers' Meeting

The Arizona state ministers' meeting for 1945-46 is now history, but the spirit of this great meeting is still alive in the hearts of those who were privileged to attend. Reports coming to the state office show that the spirit of evangelism, which was stressed in every service, has not only found its way into the hearts of the ministry, but is gripping the hearts of the laity, and is being fanned into a revival flame in the local church. Souls are being saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and the glory of the Lord is coming down. We are anticipating a great year of soul-saving in Arizona.

The ministers' meeting was moderated by Rev. O. C. Crank, state overseer. He was at his best and did a fine job. It seemed to be the mind of the ministerial body to stress evangelism in its every phase. There was manifested on the part of the ministry a greater determination to visit more homes, make more personal contacts, and launch more campaigns of mass evangelism than ever before in Arizona. The main theme of our program this year is to bring the lost to Christ.

We are happy to have a number of new ministers join our ranks in Ari-(Continued on page 14)

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COMMANDMENT No. 1

Thou Shalt Have No Other Gods Before Me, Exod. 20:3

By E. L. MOORE 0000000000000

If it were not possible that men would worship other things as gods in preference to the true God, the Father of all, this command would not have been written. There is but one God and beside Him there is none other. Isa. 44:6, 8; 46:9. Men are known by what they worship, what they say, and what they do. Every nation, kindred and tongue realize that there is a true God. If nothing more, by His footprints in nature—the heavens, the moon, the stars, the earth, heat and cold, that conscious feeling in the heart of the individual. It would seem perfectly natural to show an expression of some nature or way-even the methods differ by the different nationalities. The heathen express some method. The unlearned: in fact, all humans, have an expression of faith.

What is needed is the proper way of worship; instructions in the right mode or uniform method, to have the desired effect or to bring the blessing. You may say your soul cries out for the living God (as David did), then there is a need to know how to yield or submit and worship, to have His favor. It is perfectly natural for the soul to feel after a spiritual God. One that is far above all, alive, all-powerful; One not made with hands. It was He who created us, and certainly should have the pre-eminence in our hearts, first place in our affections, and due respect in our outward mode of worship. Any other god is a homemade or manufactured one, which would be an idol. There are many idols; and there is a curse hanging over the idolator (the idol worshipper). Deut. 7:6; 13:8-15; Gal. 5:20. Anything you make the most of is your god or idol. It can be a child, a precious treasure, pleasure, fashion, pride, or person. Paul refers to some in Phil. 3:19 that their god was their belly, whose glory is in their shame, and who mind earthly things. Some worship money, some the golden calf. We need to have a high estimation of the true God and worship Him. David

said the idols of the heathens are silver and gold and works of men's hands, so don't be a heathen. No man can make a god like unto himself of any kind or style, for he, being mortal, worketh a dead thing with wicked hands. He himself is better than anything he makes to worship. He lives; the idol never lives. Christians have to guard against fleshly lust, idols of gold, silver, wooden vessels, stone, or any treasure that may tempt them to covet, and be drawn away from the true worship of God.

> We are facing danger on a worldwide scale. Many are perplexed, wondering what to do, or which way to turn for help. You can readily see in whom many trust, whom they honor, when their cry is for more soldiers, more equipment of every nature, machine guns, bombers, a better army. Some are honoring the god of

forces. Dan. 11:38. Many regard their leaders as their god; some leaders disregard God, especially the would-be dictators, but magnify themselves above all. They will not even regard the God of their fathers. Dan. 11:37. Some seem to think they can get along without calling on God for help in time of their trouble, or trust Him. They criticize a prayer day and any suggestions of a spiritual nature. All such leaders have their day. They die and go down in defeat. Woe to them that trust in their chariots and horses, but not in the holy one of Israel. Isa. 30:1; 31:1. It is better to trust in the Lord God than to put confidence in man. Paul said, "See that your faith be not in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God," 1 Cor.

No nation is immune from war or trouble, but the God of heaven will honor those who trust and honor Him. Some believe God is just a spirit and believe everything is God including all evil. Others believe God directs all things but only take what they can reason out. Voltaire said if there were no God it would be necessary to invent one.



WORLD-WIDE BIBLE READING

THANKSGIVING TO CHRISTMAS The Hon. John G. Winant and the Bible

The Hon. John G. Winant, Ambassador to Great Britain, and a member of the Laymen's National Sponsoring Committee of the World-Wide

Bible Reading program, declares the Bible is the source for material known and understood by people in all countries. From London he has written to the American Bible Society: "On Thanksgiving Day, 1944, we had a service at Westminster Abbey in which I was asked to read President Roosevelt's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

"On three Thanksgiving Days now (Continued on page 12)

REVIVALSI

Victory Is Ours

We are happy to report victory over sin and the devil. We praise the Lord for another good revival, with Rev. Earl Minor as evangelist. We were blessed with the presence of the Lord in every service. Five were saved, nine sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water, and eleven added to the church. We appreciate our pastor and his family. Brother and Sister Mitchell. praise the Lord for the good work that has been done at Bradshaw this year. We have put brick siding on the church and floored it, also made other improvements.-Odell Cook, Rt. 3, Elba, Ala.

We truly praise God for the way He has been blessing us here at Mount Pleasant Church of God this year. We praise Him for the way He blessed us in the revival. Many came to God during this year. Our revival ran from August 19 to September 9, which resulted in twenty-seven saved, fourteen sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost, four added to the church, and five baptized in water. Souls are still seeking God. Evangelist Otis Mote conducted the revival. We thank God for the blessings He is still giving us.—Irene Shooke, Titus, Ga.

N. MT. ZION, Ga.—Brother Otis Mote, of Greenvile, S. C., conducted a revival at N. Mt. Zion, in which seventeen were saved, sixteen sanctified, twelve filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-one baptized in water, eleven added to the church here and eight to other Churches of God, making a total of nineteen.—Fleta Lunsford, clerk, Hiawassee, Ga.

EUFAULA, Ala.—We are happy to report a Holy Ghost revival here in Eufaula, Ala. This is a new field, but God is blessing in a mighty way. Many souls are being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Thank God for victory in Jesus!

Saints everywhere, pray much for us. We want to build a Church of God here. We are encouraged to go all the way.—J. H. Lee and wife, Gen. Del., Georgetown, Ga.

We have closed a two weeks' revival

here at the Church of God at Towe's Chapel. God blessed wonderfully. Seven were saved, two sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, five added to the church, and the saints revived. Brother A. B. Davis, pastor, was in charge. Pray for us at Towe's Chapel, and come to see us when you feel like it.—G. W. Fowler, clerk, R.F.D. 3, Adairsville, Ga.

We have just closed a revival here in the Ferndale Church of God. Garrison, W. Va., with Evangelist Lillian Peacock. This was the greatest revival since Sister Lillian Peacock was with us last year. Truly she preached with an anointing from God. Several were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. One brother was healed of blood poison, one of T. B., one of the flu; a sister testified she felt the great touch of healing, and another sister was healed whom the doctor said would have to be operated on. There were many other healings which space will not permit me to tell. Several were baptized in water. The church has been revived in a great way. We are so thankful for Sister Peacock. Any church would be fortunate to have a good clean evangelist like her. She does not compromise with the enemy but preaches the true gospel of Jesus Christ. We closed with a home-coming at the church and a packed house. Sister Lillian made a drive to pay off some debts on the church and God did bless in finances. We are giving God all the praise for everything that has been accomplished.

Pray for the Ferndale church.— Sister Marie Lang, clerk.

RINGGOLD, Ga.—The revival closed at Timms Chapel Church of God July 22, with nine saved, nine sanctified,

Telegram

ATLANTA, Ga.—Hemphill Avenue church in greatest revival; 160 saved, 90 sanctified, 87 baptized with Holy Ghost, 64 baptized in water, 103 added to Church. Alton Edenfield and James Cooper, evangelists.—A. M. Phillips, pastor.

five filled with the Holy Ghost, and one added to the church, for which we thank God. Sister Fannie Freeman was our evangelist; she really preached some soul-stirring messages. We covet your prayers for the work at Timms Chapel.—Mrs. R. A. Partin.

FT. GAY, W. Va.—We have had a three weeks' revival here at Ft. Gay, conducted by Rev. H. L. Marcum. The Lord richly blessed us. Services were held in a tent; the crowds were large night after night. Church of God teachings have never been taught here before. Brother Marcum is able to open blinded eyes to the true gospel. Fifteen were added to the church, two saved, two sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost.

We have purchased a nice front lot and are ready to build our church. Pray for us that God will continue to give us success.—H. S. Porter, pastor; Geraldine Daniels, clerk.

SHREWSBURY, W. Va.—Stop and listen! Our God is still blessing when people will let Him. We have just closed a three weeks' revival in Shrewsbury, W. Va. The preaching was done by Rev. Harrell Kirkland, assisted with music and singing by Brother Julian Manning. Six were converted, five sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, three baptized in water, and three joined the Church of God.—Pastor, R. F. Kirkland, E. Rainelle, W. Va.

LEXINGTON, N. C.—We praise the Lord for a two weeks' revival conducted by our new pastor, Rev. P. V. Perkins. He did some wonderful preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The Lord blessed in a great way. Twenty were saved, eleven sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost, and six added to the church.

The meeting closed two weeks ago but the revival spirit is still on. In our past Sunday night service three were saved and one sanctified. We thank God for our wonderful pastor and his wife. They are wonderful people. Pray for our church in Lexington. We feel that God has great things in store for us.—Mrs. Louise Leonard, Erlanger, N. C.

MARBLE HILL, Va.—We praise God for a one week's revival with Sister Virginia (Lloyd) Nelson in charge. God blessed in a mighty way. Three were sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. W. A. Nelson, clerk, Greenbay, Va.

Revival

CHARLESTON, W. Va.—The Church of God at Davis Creek is reporting the greatest revival we have had in years. Sister Lillian Peacock, of Tampa, Florida, was with us twelve nights. The Lord blessed from the first until the last night. The power of

God filled each service. The Holy Ghost worked in a great way; sixteen were saved, two received the Holy Ghost and the meeting closed with good interest. We were sorry to close when we did but due to sickness in the home of the evangelist she had to go home. We are expecting her to be

back with us this spring. We regretted to give our pastor, Brother R. E. Leadingham, up; we felt that he left one year too soon. We are asking the Lord to bless him in his work. Our work here is building up and we are asking the Lord to send us another good pastor.—Bertha Hayes, clerk.





REV. G. F. CARTER

Beautiful Church of God, Honea Path, S. C.

This is the Church of God at Honea Path, S. C. It has recently been made sixteen feet longer, brick veneered and completely remodeled inside with sheet rock on the walls and celotex overhead. It is one of the most beautiful churches in the State.

Rev. G. F. Carter is the pastor of this fine church which is on fire for God, and souls are being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. They had one of the best revivals in the history of the church, with Rev. Herman Clark, of Bible Training School and College, as the evangelist. Over twenty were saved, fifteen sanctified, twenty filled with the Holy Ghost, and seven added to the church.

They have seven Sunday School rooms, two rest rooms, and a hot-air heating system. Their Sunday School has an average attendance of around one hundred twenty-five and raised over one thousand dollars on the building program the past year. They have a nice five-room parsonage on Haywood Avenue.

HIESTIMONIES

He Is My All in All

OSIERFIELD, Ga.—Dear Saints, I can truly say God is real. He answers prayer. Bless His name. I love Jesus dearly. He is my all in all.

Tonight our son was sick, had a high fever and suffered badly all the afternoon, but we had a good prayer for him and his fever left. Praise God. I don't believe in a salvation I cannot feel. I surely love God's power, love to serve Jesus every day, don't just live for God on Sunday and then as I please on the other days but live for God every day. Bless His name.

May God's blessings be on each one is my prayer.—Mrs. Newton Smith, Route 1.

Somewhere in Germany

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I know not where to start to say how God has kept His hands upon me. Glory to His name. I am able to say I am in the best of health and thank God for it too. He has brought me all the way through England, France and Germany and in case I should see the Pacific, He will keep me through it also. "Many shall fall at thy side" is true, but God will keep us if we love Him.

I have a dear mother in Alabama somewhere. She is not in the best of health but I have faith to say I will see her again before God will call her home. In case I do not, I will meet her in heaven, also my dear sisters who are somewhere praying for me. Thank God for all of them.

All things work together for good to them who love the Lord. It is hard sometimes as we have trials, but His Word is true. Do pray for me that I will live for Him and go home to meet Him. Remember us boys always.—T|5 Novel G. Poston.

Victory in My Soul

CHILDRESS, Texas—I am praising God because I love Him. I praise Him for saving my soul about twenty-four years ago; four years later He sanctified me by His precious blood and filled me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I praise Him for healing me. I was sick for six weeks but I trusted God and He healed me. It pays to trust in Jesus. We have a good pastor, Brother Foster. He is loved by everybody, both saint and sinner. He and his family are a blessing to the

church. Please pray for our oldest daughter at home in Marietta. God wonderfully saved her and filled her with the Holy Ghost and called her to preach His Word. I am so glad God still hears and answers prayers when we keep calling on Him.—Mrs. Ada Hill, Northfield Route.

God Can and Will Heal

WEST NASHVILLE, Tenn.-I want to praise the Lord for what He has done for me. I could never tell all, but I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify through the Evangel. It was back in February and March I had two bad spells with my side. Seventeen years ago my side burst and doctors said I could not live, but I was trusting in God and He healed me of ruptured appendix. This time when I started suffering the devil told me I would die if my side burst again, but I trusted God to heal me again and He did. I kept putting off my promise to the Lord that I would put a testimony in the Evangel about His wonderful healing power. and a few days ago the trouble came back and I was reminded of my promise I had not kept. I was suffering with my heart; I could hardly get my breath. I thought several times the end had come and though I was not afraid to die, yet my four little boys need me and my husband also needs me in the church work, so here is my

testimony of how He has healed me.

I went to the sisters' meeting this morning and how God did bless us. We had a wonderful healing service. I have felt fine all evening. I have done my housework, which I have been too weak to do heretofore. My heart has not hurt me a bit, for which I give God all the praise. He is so good to me: I couldn't live without Him. I am so glad I started serving the Lord when I did. I have been a Christian over seventeen years, and have a greater determination to live for Him than I ever had. We surely have a wonderful band of people at West Nashville with which to work: they love the Lord and are so faithful and good to us. We have enjoyed our four years here; the Lord has performed many miraculous healings here and has blessed us in many wonderful ways. God still hears and answers prayer. Pray for me.-Mrs. James H. Clark, 611 Cent. Blvd.

Church a Blessing to Community

POPLAR CREEK, Miss.—The Church of God is moving on at this place. We have just organized a Y. P. E. There is quite a number of young people here at Bethany. We had a good revival started, Sister Addie Mooneyham was the evangelist, but the weather got so bad we had to close. One received the Holy Ghost. You will make no mistake by getting Sister Mooneyham for a revival.

The church and community have been blessed by having good cooperation and fellowship here.—Rev. J. B. Lindley.

God Unlocked the Atom

Bu HAROLD E. DYE

Down by the rugged east slopes of the mighty San Andreas in southern New Mexico, on the fringe of the enigmatic White Sands with their agelocked secrets; down where the drifting gypsum particles have swept in layers fifty feet deep over the gaunt skeletons of prehistoric mastodons; down where Time meets Eternity and merges into the pulseless aeons of the breathless Infinite, a handful of puny men lay on the ground and prayed while a tiny pellet set off an explosion that has seared the hearts and minds of men throughout the world.

Darkening heavens poured forth rain and lightning immediately up to the zero hour. The desert skies set the stage for the mightiest drama since the death of Christ.

The tense group of renowned scientists and military men sprawled on the sand ten miles removed with their faces turned away from the expected light and their hearts numb with the possibility of a slight miscalculation that might conceivably blot out the whole of life upon the globe.

The time signals came inexorably—"minus twenty minutes, minus fifteen minutes," and on and on. Tension mounted almost to the breaking point as the group in the control room, headed by Dr. J. R. Oppenheimer, held their breaths. At "minus 45 seconds,"

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WORLD-WIDE BIBLE READING

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the British have invited the Americans to hold their service in the Abbey. In the past, British people probably have not thought much about this American holiday. Now there are many Americans here who have told them of the origin of Thanksgiving and the customs which have grown up around it. But through our religious observance of the day they have gained some understanding of its real significance.

"Today we are trying to find a basis for international understanding. We know that the human problems facing the many nations are not different, but variety in the ways we earn our living, in the languages we speak, in the schools we go to, and in the books we read, and in the manner of our thinking, sometimes makes it hard for us to speak a common language and to agree on a common denominator. If we read carefully and ponder well, we can find in the Scriptures strength and understanding to help us in our great task."

November 22, Psalm 121

November 23, Psalm 23 Favorite chapter of General George C. Marshall

November 24, St. John 14 A SELECTION

Jesus is speaking to His disciples on the evening before His crucifixion.

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life."

November 25, St. John 3

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is

condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God."

November 26, St. Matthew 5 A Selection — The Beatitudes "Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers: for (Continued on page 14)



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The Keys of the Kingdom (Continued from page 5)

is hard to say. The locks they open are hearts of lukewarm souls, back-liders, and sinners. Hands don't manipulate them, oddly enough; but like a perfect enchantment of Paradise, when they dangle together, they produce accord, as it were a befriending, a rapturous melody that charms the souls of men.

Now, just what Peter did with those keys we shall never know. The Apostle John apparently received a set of those keys, too. And, if I may say, made use of them more than Peter. If one studies the Gospel of John and his epistles with all diligence, he will be quick to see that the keys to the kingdom, the keys that bind hell, are but one simple, secret, four-letter word, LOVE. Yes, love holds the universe together. God is love. All things come

ultimately through love. Of her twin sister, CHARITY, the Apostle Paul said that she was greater than either FAITH or HOPE.

Since my exposure is made, allow me to make a few modest observations. Men in this day don't hate God, nor even forget Him. Stories, mind you, authenticated accounts from dying men on the war front, prove that. But men have failed men, men have lost confidence in men, life has become a gamble of who shall and who shall not be. Hence, men have to go around pinned up tightly every day and be vigilant lest some traitor sell them short. Self-respect in this day, of necessity, consumes so much time that men have neglected to cultivate respect for others.

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples because you love one another. Yes, that is it. Love. All other things will come if we have love. May we not forget that loving His children is loving God, doing good to His children is doing good to Him, and living godly before men is living godly before Him. It is said that Peter prayed continually for forty years that God give him love for his enemies. May I prayerfully close: Dear God. dear Jesus, dear Holy Ghost, help us to pray once a day to love the brethren. That in this dark day men will realize that only God can make us love-and that seeing God in us they may be constrained to give up sin and the world and follow Jesus.

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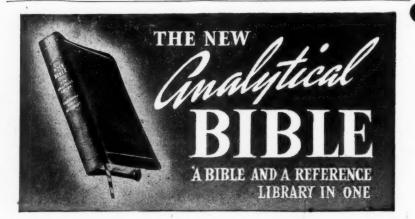
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God Unlocked the Atom (Continued from page 11)

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